HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION 430 By McDonald

A RESOLUTION to honor and recognize Sara Collins, 2005 Valedictorian of Portland High School.

WHEREAS, it is fitting that the members of this General Assembly should pause to pay tribute to those students who, through their natural talents and unflagging commitment to academic excellence, have distinguished themselves in the classroom; and

WHEREAS, Sara Collins is one such exceptional student who was recently named Valedictorian of the 2005 graduating class at Portland High School; and

WHEREAS, through diligent study, steady composure during examinations, and steadfast commitment of time and talent, Sara Collins has achieved outstanding academic success and has joined the ranks of the best and brightest students in Tennessee and our country; and

WHEREAS, in her remarkable high school career, Miss Collins has earned an exemplary grade point average; and

WHEREAS, in addition to her excellence in the classroom, Sara Collins has been involved with many clubs and organizations, including the Ladies Volleyball team, the National Beta Club, Youth Alive and Free, which she served as a Peer Leader, the Future Business Leaders of America, Peer Mediation, and the Math team; and

WHEREAS, this remarkable student has served with distinction as Co-Captain of the Cheerleading team, Secretary and Vice President of Fellowship of Christian Athletes, Reporter for Student Council, Treasurer for the National Honors Society, Reporter for the National Council of Social Studies, and as the Class Officer Secretary; and

WHEREAS, even with her many responsibilities and commitments, Sara Collins still finds time to lend her talents and energy to numerous community service projects, including the Church Kindness Projects, the Church Nursery, the American Cancer Society Relay for Life Committee, the Christmas Shoe-box Ministry, and various fundraising drives for children; and

WHEREAS, this well-rounded individual has also gained necessary work experience through her jobs as a veterinarian assistant and a babysitter; and

WHEREAS, Sara Collins's display of intellectual aptitude and ambition surely bodes well for her future success; and

WHEREAS, Miss Collins's noteworthy achievement is a tremendous source of pride for her family, her school, and her community; and

WHEREAS, Sara Collins's dedication to excellence is clearly deserving of the respect, admiration, and commendation of this legislative body; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE HUNDRED FOURTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE SENATE CONCURRING, that we hereby commend and honor the 2005 Portland High School Valedictorian, Sara Collins, on her impressive academic achievement and extend to her our best wishes for a happy, successful future.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.

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